VI. *The way of proceeding in the* Small Pox inoculated *in* New England. *Communicated by* Henry Newman, *Esq*; *of the* Middle Temple.

1. WE make uſually a Couple of *Inciſions* in the *Arms* where we make our *Iſſues*, but ſomewhat larger than for them, ſome times in one *Arm*, and one *Leg*.

2. Into theſe we put bits of *Lint*, (the patient at the ſame time turning his Face another way, and guarding his Noſtrils) which have been dipt in ſome of the *Variolous Matter* taken in a Vial, from the Puſtules of one that has the *Small Pox* of the more laudable Sort, now turning upon him, and ſo we cover them with a Plaiſter of *Diachylon*.

3. Yet we find the *Variolous Matter* fetched from thoſe, that have the *inoculated Small Pox*, altogether as agreeable and effectual as any other. And ſo we do what is taken from them that have the *Confluent Sort*.

4. Within Four and Twenty Hours, we throw away the *Lint*, and the *Sores* are dreſſed once or twice every Four and Twenty Hours, with warmed *Cabbage Leaves*.

5. The Patient continues to do all Things, *as at other times*, only he expoſes not himſelf unto the Injuries of the *Weather*, if that be at all Tempeſtuous.

6. About the Seventh Day the Patient feels the uſual Symptoms of the *Small Pox* coming upon him; and he is now managed as in an ordinary *Putrid Fever*. If he cannot hold up, he goes to *Bed*; If his *Head*

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Head ach too much, we put the common *Poultice* to his *Feet*, if he be very Sick at the *Stomach*, we give him a *gentle Vomit*, yea, we commonly do theſe Things *almoſt of Courſe*, whether we find the Patient want them or no. And we reckon the *ſooner* we do theſe Things, the *better*. If the *Fever* be too high, in ſome Conſtitutions, we *Bleed* a little: And finally, to haſten the Eruption, we put on a Couple of *Bliſters*.

7. On or about the Third Day from the Decumbiture the *Eruption* begins. The Number of the *Puſtules* is not alike in all, in ſome they are a *very few*, in others they amount to an *Hundred*, yea, in many they amount unto *ſeveral Hundreds*; frequently unto more than what the Accounts from the *Levant* ſay is uſual there.

8. The *Eruption* being made, *all Illneſs* vaniſhes; except perhaps a little of the *Vapours* in thoſe that are troubled with them; there is nothing more to do, but to *keep Warm*, drink proper Teas, eat Gruel, Milk Pottage, Panada, Bread, Butter, and almoſt any thing equally Simple and Innocent.

9. Ordinarily the Patient *ſits* up every Day, and entertains his Friends, yea, ventures upon a *Glaſs of Wine* with them. If he be too Intent upon hard *Reading* and *Study*, we take him off.

10. Sometimes, tho' the Patient be on other Accounts eaſy enough, yet he *can't Sleep* for divers Nights together. In this Caſe we do not give him *Anodynes* or *Opiates*, becauſe we find, That they who have taken theſe Things in the *Small Pox* are generally peſtered with miſerable *Biles* after their being recovered. So we *let them alone*; their *Sleep* will come of it ſelf, as their *Strength* is coming on.

11. On the Seventh Day the *Puſtules* uſually come to their Maturity; *and ſoon after* this they go away,

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as thoſe of the *Small Pox* in the *Diſtinct Sort* uſe to do.

12. The Patient gets abroad quickly, and is moſt ſenſibly *Stronger*, and in *better* Health than he was before. The Tranſplantation has been given to *Women in Child-bed*, Eight or Nine Days after their Delivery; and they have got earlier out of their Child-bed, and in better Circumſtances, than ever in their Lives. Thoſe that have had ugly *Ulcers* long running upon them, have had them healed on, and by this *Tranſplantation*. Some very feeble, crazy, *Conſumptive* People, have upon this *Tranſplantation*, grown hearty and got rid of their former Maladies.

13. The *Sores* of the *Inciſion* do ſeem to dry a little in Three or Four Days of the Feveriſh Preparation for *Eruption*. After this there is a *plentiful Diſcharge* at them. The diſcharge may continue a little while after the Patient is quite well on other Accounts; But the *Sores* will ſoon enough dry up of themſelves; but the *later*, the *better*, as we think. If they happen to be *inflamed*, or otherwiſe Troubleſome, we preſently help them in the ways we do any *Ordinary Sores*.

VII. *A Letter from Dr.* Nettleton, *Phyſician at* Halifax *in* Yorkſhire, *to Dr.* Whitaker, *concerning the Inoculation of the* Small Pox.

SIR,

HAVING too often found with no ſmall Grief and Trouble, how little the Aſſiſtance of Art cou'd avail in many Caſes of the *Small Pox*, I was induced to try the Method of Inſition or Inoculation, which came ſo well recommended by ſeveral Phyſicians